# *Executive Proclamation*
# *State of South Dakota*
# *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, South Dakota was founded on hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty and concern for one's fellow man; and,

***Whereas***, Ruby Johannsen served as Executive Director of the Dakotaland/Pyle House Museums in Huron, South Dakota, for 33 years and was responsible for preserving the heritage and history of Huron, surrounding communities, Beadle County and South Dakota; and,

***Whereas***, Ruby was responsible for providing the opportunity for individuals and groups to learn about the history of the area and to encourage them to think about their own heritage; and,

**Whereas**, Ruby has devoted her life to the betterment of her professional community, the caring and sharing with family and friends and the day-to-day giving and loving that makes South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

***Whereas***, It has now come time for the community of Huron to pay tribute to Ruby at a retirement reception in her honor at The Pyle House Museum on August 26, 2007, for her dedication to caring for the Dakotaland Museum and the Gladys Pyle residence; and,

***Whereas***, It is altogether fitting and proper to recognize the contribution and devotion of this South Dakotan and her many years of exemplary performance:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join her colleagues, friends and family as they recognize Ruby for her commitment to a successful career.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State